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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2780

## **Introduced by Assembly Member Holden**

February 19, 2016

An act to amend Section 12903 of the Government Code, relating to state government.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2780, as amended, Holden. Fair Employment and Housing Council: membership: length of terms.

Existing law creates the Fair Employment and Housing Council within the Department of Fair Employment and Housing. The council consists of 7 members, appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, who serve 4-year terms.

This bill would, beginning with appointments to the council made on or after January 1, 2017, make the terms of 4 of the members 4 years in length and the terms of 3 of the members 2 years in length. The bill would provide that after the terms of these initial appointments expire, members would be appointed to serve 4-year terms. The bill would also require the Governor, in the case of a vacancy on the board, to immediately appoint a member to serve the unexpired term. provide that vacancies occurring prior to the expiration of the term would be filled by appointment for the unexpired term.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 12903 of the Government Code is amended to read:

12903. There is in the Department of Fair Employment and Housing the Fair Employment and Housing Council. The council shall consist of seven members, to be known as council members, who shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and one of whom shall be designated as chairperson by the Governor. The Director of the Department of Fair Employment and Housing shall serve as a nonvoting ex-officio member of the council.

- (a) Appointments made to the council on and after January 1, 2017, shall be for the following terms:
- (1) Four of the members appointed shall serve terms of four years.
- (2) Three of the members appointed shall serve terms of two years.
- (b) Each member appointed after the expiration of the initial terms set forth in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (a) shall serve a term of four years.
- (c) Vacancies on the council shall be filled immediately by the Governor by appointing members to serve the unexpired portion of the terms in which they occur.
- 23 (c) Vacancies occurring prior to the expiration of the term shall 24 be filled by appointment for the unexpired term.